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SUBJECT: MBFR: KEEPING NEUTRALS INFORMED

REF: USNATO 4998

VIENNA FOR USDEL MBFR

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1. WE AGREE WITH VIEW OF FRG REP THAT IT WOULD BE UN-  
DESIRABLE TO ESTABLISH ANY ARRANGEMENT WHICH WOULD AMOUNT  
TO AN INSTITUTIONALIZED OBLIGATION FOR ALLIES TO KEEP  
NEUTRALS INFORMED, EVEN IF SUCH AN ARRANGEMENT WERE  
INITIALLY ENVISAGED BY ALLIES AS MODEST IN SCOPE. WE

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ARE ALSO SKEPTICAL THAT NEUTRALS WOULD BE CONTENT SIMPLY

TO RECEIVE INFORMATION, AND THINK IT POSSIBLE THAT SOME, LIKE YUGOSLAVIA, MIGHT USE ARRANGEMENT FOR PRESENTING THEIR OWN FAVORITE VIEWS.

2. WE PREFER THAT QUESTION OF INFORMING NEUTRALS CONTINUE TO BE HANDLED BY ALLIES IN VIENNA ON AN INFORMAL, BILATERAL BASIS AS NEEDED. IF SOMEWHAT MORE STRUCTURED APPROACH SEEMS NECESSARY, WE THINK AD HOC GROUP COULD CANVASS ALLIED DELEGATIONS FOR VOLUNTEERS WHO WOULD SET UP THEIR OWN CONTACTS ON A NATIONAL BASIS WITH SPECIFIC NEUTRALS, WITH AD HOC GROUP DISCUSSING IN GENERAL TERMS LINE ALLIED DELEGATIONS WOULD TAKE IN SUCH DISCUSSIONS. RUSH

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